

Adopted Building Construction Codes

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The following codes are effective throughout the State of Washington for all complete permit applications received on or after July 1, 2004.

Buildings Codes

 International Building Code. Applies to all buildings and structures not regulated via International Residential Code requirements. Sections 101 through 106 of Appendix E (Supplementary Accessibility Requirements) is adopted by reference.

Exception:

- i. Temporary worker housing as defined in RCW 70.114A.020.
- ii. Temporary growing structures as defined in RCW 19.27.016(3).
- 2003 International Residential Code. Buildings designed under International Residential Code provisions are limited to one and two family dwellings as well as multiple single-family dwellings (townhouses) not more than three stories in height.

Exceptions:

- i. Chapters 11 and 25 through 42 are not adopted.
- ii. Temporary worker housing as defined in RCW 70.114A.020.
- iii. Temporary growing structures as defined in RCW 19.27.016(3).

Mechanical Code

• **2003 International Mechanical Code.** Applies to all buildings and structures other than those regulated under the provisions of the International Residential Code.

Exceptions:

- i. Temporary growing structures as defined in RCW 19.27.016(3).
- ii. Fuel gas systems shall be regulated by the International Fuel Gas Code.
- iii. Detached one- and two-family dwellings ad multiple single family dwellings (townhouses) not more than three stories high with separate means of egress and their accessory structures shall comply with the International Residential Code.
- iv. Standards for Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) installations shall be the 2001 edition of NFPA (Liquefied Petroleum Gas Code) and the 2002 Edition of ANSI Z223.1/NFPA 54 (National Fuel Gas Code).
- v. In addition to the International Mechanical Code, single meter installations serving more than one building must meet the provisions of WAC 480-93 which is enforced by the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission.

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Fire Code

• 2003 International Fire Code. The International Fire code is adopted in its entirety.

Exceptions:

- i. Temporary worker housing as defined in RCW 70.114A.020.
- ii. Temporary growing structures as defined in RCW 19.27.016(3).
- iii. The manufacture, storage, handling, sale and use of fireworks shall be governed by Chapter 70.77 and by Chapter 212-17 WAC and City of Auburn ordinances consistent with Chapter 212-17 WAC.
- iv. Fire apparatus access roads shall be provided and maintained in accordance with locally adopted street, road and access standards.

Plumbing Code

- 2003 Uniform Plumbing Code. Applies to all buildings and structures.
 - i. Chapters 12 (Fuel Piping) and 15 (Firestop Protection) are not adopted.
 - ii. Those provisions of Chapter 5 relating to venting and combustion air of fuel fired appliances and those portions of the Code addressing building sewers are not adopted.

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